

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please amend paragraph 0024 appearing at page 6 as follows:

**[0024]** According to one embodiment, when train 101 first enters the coverage area of access point 103-1, station 201-1 of intelligent wireless switch 200 associates with access point 103-1. Station 201-1 is “online,” i.e., routing of data can occur through station 201-1. Also, station 201-1 becomes the “active” station. That is, data from wireless devices 102 is provided to station 201-1 and communicated to access point 103-1. Also, data from access point 103-1 is received by station 201-1 and distributed to wireless devices 102. When train 101 enters the coverage area defined by access point 103-2, station 201-2 associates with access point 103-2. Station 201-2 is then online but not active. Initially, data is not routed through station ~~[[201-1]]~~ 201-2 to access point 103-2. The connection between station 201-2 and access point 103-2 can be maintained by communicating “dummy” packets through access point 103-2. For example, ping packets could be used for this purpose.